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FM AMCONSUL KARACHI

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7150

INFO AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

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E. O. 11652: N/ A

TAGS: ETRN, PK

1. ACCORDING TO DOUGLAS REP HERE FINAL HIGH LEVEL MEETING IN ISLAMABAD APRIL 22, AT WHICH RAFIQ SAIGOL AND SENIOR PIA OFFICIALS BRIEFED PIA BOARD MEMBERS, RESULTED IN UNANIMOUS DECISION AFTER LONG DISCUSSION TO PURCHASE DOUGLAS DC-10 AIRCRAFT. DOUGLAS REP BELIEVES PIA WILL SIGN LETTER OF INTENT FOR DC-10 PURCHASE THIS WEEK, WITH OTHER TECHNICAL AND CONTRACTUAL DETAILS FOLLOWING RAPIDLY THEREAFTER. DOUGLAS' DEADLINE FOR SIGNATURE LETTER OF INTENT REMAINS APRIL 30, BUT FINAL DATE FOR SIGNATURE CONTRACT EXTENDED AGAIN-- THIS TIME TO MAY 30.

2. WHILE DOUGLAS REP CLAIMS PIA DECISION PURCHASE DC-10 BASED SOLELY ON BETTER ECONOMICS HIS AIRCRAFT IN COMPARISON WITH 747 ACCORDING PRESENT PIA TRAFFIC PRO-
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JECTIONS, HE ANTICIPATES FURTHER STRONG EFFORTS FROM
" OPPOSITION" TO REVERSE DECISION AND/ OR DISCREDIT THOSE
CONNECTED WITH IT.

3. PIA OFFICIALS HERE UNDERSTANDABLY MORE RETICENT
CONCERNING ANY DECISION TAKEN AT APRIL 22 MEETING,
PIA DIRECTOR OF PLANNING DID STATE THAT NEXT MOVE
NOW UP TO PRESIDENT BHUTTO AND THAT HE EXPECTS
" POSITIVE DECISION FROM PRESIDENT BY END OF WEEK."
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